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INFO AMEMBASSY BRASILIA

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SAIGON 2521

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, VE, VS

SUBJECT: GVN DESIRE TO ESTABLISH EMBASSY IN CARACAS

1. GVN FOREIGN MINISTRY (VICE MINISTER KY) INFORMED US FEBRUARY 26 THAT GVN DESIRES TO ESTABLISH AN EMBASSY IN CARACAS. KY POINTED OUT THAT, WITH ONLY TWO MISSIONS IN LATIN AMERICA (BRASILIA AND BUENOS AIRES) AND BOTH OF THESE FAR FROM CARIBBEAN, GVN IN VERY INADEQUATELY REPRESENTED IN THAT PART OF LATIN AMERICA. HE MENTIONED PARTICULARLY THE NEED TO COUNTER PRO-NORTH VIETNAMESE PROPAGANDA EMANAHNRG FROM CUBA.

2. KY SAID THAT FOREIGN MINISTRY BAC WILL BE ATTENDING MARCH 15 INAGURATION OF BRAZILIAN PRESIDENT AND WOULD BE ABLE TO VISIT CARACAS FOR PURPOSE DISCUSSING ESTABLISHING OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH GOV IF CONDITIONS SEEMED FAVORABLE. SINCE GVN HAS NO REPRESENTATION IN THE AREA AND LITTLE KNOWLEDGE OF THE SITUATION IN VENEZUELA, KY ASKED FOR OUR ADVICE.

3. WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE IN GVN INTEREST, AND OURS AS WELL, TO HAVE GVN DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION IN CARACAS OR OTHER SUITABLE LOCATION IN THAT AREA OF LATIN AMERICA. (AN APPROACH TO MEXICO WAS REBUFFED SOME TIME AGO.) WOULD APPRECIAT DEPARTMENT'S

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